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TITLE: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR SHARING SIGNAL PINS ON AN  
INTERFACE BETWEEN A SYSTEM CONTROLLER AND PERIPHERAL INTEGRATED  
CIRCUITS

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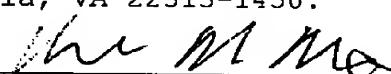
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AMENDMENT

This Amendment is supplied in response to the Examiner's  
Final Office Action dated 10/19/2004 in the above-referenced  
application and further in response to a telephone communication  
from the Examiner on 11/23/2004. Applicants respectfully request

entry of the following Amendment, as Applicants believe the following Amendment places the case in condition for allowance in accordance with the Examiner's indication of allowability of claims 1, 8 and 17 as presented by Applicants on July 19, 2004 (prior to this Amendment the subject matter of amended claims 2, 8 and 21 as presented in Applicants response to the Final Office Action).